



## Coin recognizes 'Observant Eagles'

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A new program is being implemented here to recognize people for assisting the Eagle Eyes Program, an Air Force anti-terrorism initiative that enlists the eyes and ears of Air Force members and citizens to bolster defenses.

Eagle Eyes teaches people about the typical activities that potential adversaries employ in planning their attacks. Armed with this information, anyone can recognize elements of potential subversive activities before they occur.

In an effort to keep the Eagles Eyes program in the limelight of our communities and encourage everyone to report suspicious activities, Col.

JL Briggs, 65th Air Base Wing commander has introduced an "Observant Eagle" coin.

The coin will be presented to individu-

als who report an incident in a timely manner, follow the appropriate notifications procedures and provide accurate reports.

"All personnel assigned or attached to the wing are involved in anti-terrorism/force protection and should remain aware because they are our sensors," said Col. Briggs. "Personnel must be alert and maintain the capability to detect hostile actions."

One goal of the Eagle Eyes program is to encourage others to be more vigilant. By being vigilant, each member can bring



pieces of the puzzle together to allow experts to connect them and potentially thwart an attack. The unit-level AT Of-

ficer is each unit or member's servicing expert in deconflicting information and/or concerns with AT elements.

Some examples of these reportable

situations include surveillance, elicitation, tests of security, acquiring supplies (purchasing or stealing explosives, weapons, ammunition, detonators, timers, uniforms, decals, flight manuals, passes or badges and any other controlled items), suspicious

persons out of place, dry runs (putting people into position and moving them around according to their plan without actually committing the act), and deploying assets (people and supplies getting into position to commit the act). Of course, common sense is always a good rule to use; if it doesn't look or feel right, report it!

The bottom line is that every Airman and citizen is a sensor and if they report all suspicious activities to their unit, not only do they empower one of the greatest preventative surveillance assets against terrorism, but they also protect our fellow Airmen and their families and ensure the mission gets done.

### Where to call

**Security Forces – 535-3222**

**OSI – 535-40SI (4614)**

### Trapped Like Rats



Prisoners try anything to "get out of jail" Wednesday during the 65th Security Forces Squadron Jail and Bail event for Police Week. (Photos by Guido Melo)



## Action Line: Blousing of ABUs same as BDUs

**Question:** Sir, The purpose of this action line submission is to address an issue with uniform standards. Pasted below in an excerpt from 36-2903 in regards to the blousing of BDU pants, which I am sure will/does apply to ABU wear as well. The problem lies in the fact individuals do not follow this standard and blouse pants in a stylish/fadish manner where they are not secured in any fashion and they are free to ride up and down as the person sits and stands; this method also makes the bottom of the pants look like a solid cylinder. This makes it difficult to uphold the standard when our troops look to these individuals as an example and feel that it is okay to incorporate this into their own personal standards.

"6. Individuals may sew down pockets but no local policy will be established to make it mandatory. Secure BDU pant legs around or in the uppermost portion of combat boot so the fabric of the lower exposed pant leg blouses over the top edge of the combat boot."

Thanks Sir.

**Response:** Thank you for your inquiry; let me see if I can assist you.

As you correctly pointed out, AFI 36-2903 (Note 6 of Figure 2.7), "Secure BDU pant legs around or in the uppermost portion of combat boot so the fabric of the lower exposed pant leg blouses over the top edge of the combat boot." Additional guidance is outlined in Table 2.2, Line 2, where it states: "Blouse trousers over combat boots or tuck trousers into boots to give a bloused effect. Blousing is defined as: to gather in and drape loosely (cannot be folded or have a tapered look)."

Although both references can be subject to individual interpretation, there is no specific guidance published at this time which would prohibit the use of blousing cuffs. Air Force Honor Guard and elite guard units use the blousing cuffs in an effort to standardize uniform appearance. According to the AFPC Contact Center; the only guidance on blousing either the ABU or BDU is that they must be bloused over the boot. No further instructions are out indicating what must be used to blouse

the pants over the boots.

I appreciate your concerns and thank you for bringing this to my attention. I expect all supervisors to enforce ALL uniform standards as we hold ourselves to the highest standards here at Lajes.



**Col. JL Briggs**

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Commander, 65th Air Base Wing

The Commander's Line is your link to me for suggestions, kudos and as a way to work problems or issues within the 65th Air Base Wing for which you can't find another solution. Your chain of command should always be your first option for praise or problems — but when that's not the answer, call or e-mail the Commander's Line at 535-4240 or [actionline@lajes.af.mil](mailto:actionline@lajes.af.mil).

### First Sergeant Corner

Are you meeting the Air Force's number two priority? Are you developing your Airmen? As a supervisor in the Air Force, you are responsible for providing feedback and counseling to the Airmen that you supervise. One major part of developing Airmen is ensuring that Airmen are equipped with necessary knowledge to make informed decisions. One valuable tool out there for Airmen and supervisors to use is the Air Force Compensation Fact Sheet. The fact sheet includes information on pay, allowances, leave, educational benefits, retirement pay and many other benefits Airmen are entitled to. Finally, if you are not sure how to develop Airmen, AFI 36-2618, The Enlisted Force Structure defines roles, responsibilities and expectations of Airmen.



—Master Sgt. James Richardson  
65th Logistics Readiness Squadron

## USAFE Safety Road Show 101 Critical Days of Summer

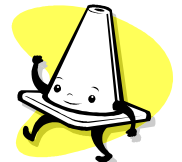
The United States Air Forces in Europe Safety Office will be presenting "Road Show - Safety Choices" here Wednesday. There will be three mandatory shows in the base theater according to rank:

**8 to 9:15 a.m.** - E-6 to E-9 and officers

**10 to 11:15 a.m.** - E-5

**1 to 2:15 p.m.** - E-1 to E-4

Appropriated U.S. civilians are encouraged to attend the second or third show.



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# Lodging upgrades security, connectivity

**By Capt. Liam Clancy**  
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The 65th Services Squadron's Mid-Atlantic Lodge recently completed upgrading its facilities to comply with 21st Century accommodation standards.

The upgrade was a \$150,000 project installing wireless internet and keycard-entry systems in five of the activity's six facilities.

The wireless internet is accessible throughout the lodging facilities and is available free of charge to lodging guests with a wireless capable laptop. Guests have commented on how much easier this makes life for folks arriving and departing Lajes. They are better able to stay in contact with friends and family while living in temporary accommodations.

A new keycard-entry system

has been installed in more than 80 percent of the facilities. The new system makes it easier to control access to lodging rooms. The keycards can be programmed to operate for the duration of the guest's stay, and the system can track who has accessed any door in lodging at any given time. This provides a more secure environment for the guest. Lost keycards can be replaced for a fraction of the cost of a new lock core and key, and can be done in minutes by the front desk staff at the Mid-Atlantic Lodge.

Mr. Manuel Figueiredo, the General Manager of the Mid-Atlantic Lodge, who has planned these upgrades for many years said, "Once again we have received the vital financial support from base leadership that we need to keep our operations relevant in an ever-evolving environ-



*Master Sgt. Jay Carpenter, Lodging NCOIC receives a keycard from Jerusa Aguiar, front desk clerk. The new keycard system was just completed in an effort to improve guest security. (Courtesy photo)*

ment. This support allows us to provide the best possible service to our customer."

With the revolving PCS door that Lajes Field becomes

in the summer, active duty members and their families will be able to enjoy these upgrades immediately.

## AF Fitness' 'In Training' program helps runners achieve goals



RANDOLPH AIR FORCE BASE, Texas — Air Force Fitness has a new program that may improve Airmen's running goals. The "In Training" program, accessible from the Air Force Fitness Web site, [www.usafsports.com](http://www.usafsports.com), has guides for runners of all fitness levels.

New runners can learn how easy it is to get started and all runners have access to the Air Force running doctor, tips, training schedules and an easy-to-use tracking system on a dedicated tracking site. The tracking system acts as a virtual coach, logging distances and allowing runners to see how they compare to others using this new on-line community.

"In a partnership with several corporate sponsors, we are dedicated to growing runners in the Air Force community, military and civilians alike", said Margaret Treland, Air Force Fitness chief. "We know there are people who are interested in running but for one reason or another just haven't gotten started. This program will be a way for people to meet other runners in their area and track their progress on line."

The training regimen is designed to help a person train, regardless of their initial skill-level, for the U.S. Air Force Marathon scheduled for Sept. 20 in Dayton, Ohio. The tracking program is the first of its kind to be associated with a sanctioned

marathon. However, runners can apply the same training tips and regimens to local runs or marathons.

## Applicants sought for air attache duty

RANDOLPH AIR FORCE BASE, Texas — Air Force officials here are accepting applications until June 13 from senior captains, majors and lieutenant colonels to fill 19 air attache positions with in-country reporting dates from June 2010 to February 2011.

Officers selected for attache duty will attend training during the period of January to August 2009.

An operations background, foreign language skills and experience in the region are all highly desired for attache candidates.

Eligible applicants must:

- be released from their functional manager to compete for an assignment,
- take or have taken the Defense Language Aptitude Battery Test, and
- be a U.S. citizen with all immediate family members (parents, siblings, spouse and children) all U.S. citizens as well.

Officers selected for an interview will be notified by July 31.

For more information on attache assignments, or to request an application, contact Air Force Personnel Center International Affairs Assignments at DSN 665-4071 or commercial 210-565-4071.



Today	Saturday	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
<b>11 a.m.</b> Bowl Red Pin games to 1:30 p.m. <b>5 p.m.</b> Teen Money Matters, LYP <b>6 p.m.</b> Build Your Own Pasta Buffet, TORC <b>7 p.m.</b> Drama Class Production, elementary gym <b>7 p.m.</b> Penelope (PG) <b>7:30 p.m.</b> Cosmic Bowling <b>10 p.m.</b> Meet the Browns (PG-13)	<b>8 a.m.</b> American Kids Run, Age 5-18, Track <b>1 p.m.</b> SFS Bike Rodeo, Ident-A-Kid and Burger Burn, Oceanview Softball Field <b>2:30 p.m.</b> Bowl for \$ .25/game <b>2 p.m.</b> Table Tennis Tournament, community center <b>7 p.m.</b> Penelope (PG) <b>10 p.m.</b> Drillbit Taylor (PG-13)	<b>9 a.m.</b> Fitness Center open <b>9 a.m.</b> Evangelical Service <b>9 a.m.</b> CCD <b>10:30 a.m.</b> Mass <b>Noon</b> Mail pickup <b>Noon</b> Praise Service <b>2 p.m.</b> Penelope (PG) <b>6 p.m.</b> Protestant Youth of the Chapel meeting <b>7 p.m.</b> Drillbit Taylor (PG-13)	<b>10 a.m.</b> Thrift Store open <b>11 a.m.</b> Daily lunch specials, Dining Facility <b>11:30 a.m.</b> Daily Mass <b>3 p.m.</b> EDIS Parenting Class, A&FRC <b>5:20 p.m.</b> Sculpting Class, Chace Fitness Center <b>6 p.m.</b> Spin Class, CFC	<b>9 a.m.</b> Power of attorneys on a walk-in basis until 11 a.m. <b>10 a.m.</b> EDIS Playgroup, LYP <b>Noon</b> Women's Bible Study, lunch provided, chapel <b>4 p.m.</b> Scrapbooking Frenzy, \$8, Arts & Crafts <b>5:30 p.m.</b> Mongolian BBQ, TORC <b>6 p.m.</b> AWANA, chapel	<b>8 a.m.</b> Safety Road Show, E-6 and up, theater <b>10 a.m.</b> Safety Road Show, E-5s, theater <b>11 a.m.</b> Bowl w/ your Boss special <b>1 p.m.</b> Safety Road show, E-1 to E-4, theater <b>5 p.m.</b> Family Night, bowling alley <b>6 p.m.</b> Open Play Volleyball <b>6:30 p.m.</b> \$ .35 Wings, TORC	<b>Portuguese Holiday</b> - commissary, AAFES facilities, community center and library closed <b>2 p.m.</b> Beginner Excel <b>5:20 p.m.</b> Body Sculpting, fitness center <b>6 p.m.</b> Spin Class, CFC <b>7 p.m.</b> Meet the Browns (PG-13)

## Community Bullfights

**6:30 p.m. Saturday:** Terreiro, São Mateus; Rua do Rossio, Praia; Santo Amaro, Ribeirinha; and Terra do Pão, São Mateus. **6:30 p.m. Tuesday:** Fonte, São Sebastião. **6:30 p.m. Thursday:** Rua Padre Lino, Lajes

## Job Opportunities

**Branch Service Representative:** Pentagon Federal Credit Union has a job opening for a Branch Service Representative (part-time). Banking experience is preferred but not required. Job applications are available at PFCU, Bldg T-202. Call 295-513-221 for more information.

**Clerical/Teacher Aide Applications:** Lajes E/H School anticipates clerical and teacher aide openings for next school year. If you have not already submitted an application and are interested in applying, contact Jane Flores at 535-4151.

**Teachers Needed:** Lajes E/H School is seeking certified teachers interested in being considered for positions for next school year. If interested or know someone who is coming into the community who is certified, call 535-4151.

**Intermittent Base Theater Projectionist:** AAFES is now accepting applications. Performs cleaning, routine maintenance and operates a 35mm motion picture projectionist and sound equipment. Must be able to work nights. Visit [www.aafes.com](http://www.aafes.com) and scroll down to AAFES Employment to apply. For details, call 535-3634.

**Intermittent Theater Worker:** AAFES is accepting applications for a theater worker to perform a variety of food service, ticket sales and janitorial/custodial duties related to theater operations. Must be able to work night shift. Visit [www.aafes.com](http://www.aafes.com) to apply. For details, call 535-3634.

## Products Exposition

The 65th Contracting Squadron will host a Products Exposition from 10:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Tuesday at the TORC. Come see displays of products and services available from local Portuguese vendors. Open to everyone. No items will be bought or sold at the Exposition.

## Top of the Rock 535-3202

**New Brunch Prices:** The Breakfast Buffet (waffle and omelet stations, scrambled eggs, bacon and sausage, home fries potatoes, coffee and juice) is \$7.95 for members. Brunch (Breakfast buffet, lunch buffet, salad buffet, dessert buffet and refreshments) is \$13.95 for members.

**Membership Night Party Hawaiian Luau:** 6 to 8 p.m. May 23. Cost is \$3 for members and \$10 for nonmembers. Adults only.

## APAH Event

**2008 Asian Pacific American Heritage Cultural Event:** 1-5 p.m. May 31 in the Community Center. Cultural program, food booths and displays. Sponsored by the 2008 Asian-Pacific American Heritage Committee. POC: Master Sgt. Alexander Bambao, 535-1238 or [Alexander.bambao@lajes.af.mil](mailto:Alexander.bambao@lajes.af.mil).

## Free Parenting Class

Educational and Developmental Intervention Services is sponsoring a two-part Positive Parenting Class from 3 to 5 p.m. Monday and Wednesday at the Airman & Family Readiness Center. Led by a clinical social worker from RAF Lakenheath with more than 35 years of experience. Childcare is available on request. Call 535-3197 to sign up.

## Lajes Youth Program

**Alcatra Dinner:** 7 p.m. Wednesday in the LYP Gymnasium, Cost is Adults \$5, Ages 5-12 \$2.50, 4 and under, free. Sign up by Monday. For details, call 535-3273.

## Volunteer Opportunities

Volunteers needed for the end of the year school carnival from 6 to 8 p.m. May 23 in the Lajes Elementary Gym. If interested, e-mail [LajesPTO@yahoo.com](mailto:LajesPTO@yahoo.com).

## Police Week

**Bike Rodeo:** SFS will host a safety inspection and obstacle course, Ident-a-bike and Ident-a-kid from 1 to 5 p.m. Saturday at the Oceanview softball field.

## Classified Ads

E-mail classified ads to [news@lajes.af.mil](mailto:news@lajes.af.mil) by 5 p.m. the Thursday prior to the week you need it published. Notify the Crossroads when items have been sold. Lajes personnel may also post ads at [Lajesads.com](http://Lajesads.com). This site is not affiliated with the Crossroads.

Dr. Shoals and the Tired Dogs: Seeking a lead/rhythm guitar player. Experience preferred but will work with the right person. Must be available for rehearsals and weekend gigs. If you'd like to try your hand at being a Tired Dog, call Larry - home phone, 295-516-218; work phone, 535-1218; cell, 962-955-834; or e-mail: [ucoffs@yahoo.com](mailto:ucoffs@yahoo.com)

For Sale: 7'6" Epoxy/Tri-Fin Surfboard with board bag. Excellent Condition \$280. Call Brian 535-6137 or 295-549-499.

For Sale: 97 Ford Ranger Extended Cab XLT 4x4, (159,500 miles) original owner, call Rick 295-905-311 \$3,400. Firm

Family Child Care Open House: New Location at 1503-G. Open House on May 17 from 2-5 p.m.

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Wanted: Donations needed! PCSing? Spring Cleaning? Please donate your unwanted items, such as clothes, household items, toys, books, etc. The High School uses your donations to raise money for traveling sports teams. Show your support and donate! We will pick up your donations! Email [Lajes15@yahoo.com](mailto:Lajes15@yahoo.com) or call 295-549-206. Thank you!